

Improve MHP availability - installation of equipment and concept of "patrol car is their office"

Agency/Program #: 4110-13-G1
 Division: 13 - Mt Highway Patrol (MHP)
 Program: MHP

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Program or Project Description:

Increase patrol hours by new technology and improved efficiencies.

Appropriation, Expenditure and Source				
Fund Name:	2008		2009	
	Approp.	Expended	Approp.	Expended
General Fund	161,750	161,750		
State Special	1,124,386	1,124,386	214,379	477
Federal Funds	328,000	138,579	350,579	
Total:	\$1,614,136	\$1,424,715	\$564,958	\$477

Approp & Expenditure numbers are as of August 31, 2008

Legislative Goal(s):

To improve MHP availability through development of the concept that a patrol vehicle is the trooper's office.

Legislative Performance Measures :

- 1 Ongoing comprehensive IT upgrades will lead to improvements in efficiency including a reduction in the number of hours used for crash investigation, report writing, and case preparation. Currently, the MHP spends nearly 80,000 hours per year on these duties out of a total of 330,000 hours worked.
- 2 Increased available time will translate to increased patrol availability, the end result being increased contacts with motorists, increased citation issuance, and improved traffic safety. The MHP issues over 82,000 traffic citations per year based upon 2007 activity.
- 3 The MHP investigates on average ten thousand motor vehicle crashes per year, with 2700 of those being injury and 220 of those crashes being fatal.
- 4 Increases in efficiency due to the IT and business process improvements should result in increased trooper availability, an increase in traffic citations, and a drop in crash activity in all severity levels.
- 5 A drop in crash severity and rate is a major goal of the MHP.

2009 Biennium Significant Milestones:		Completion Dates	
		Target	Actual
1	From year end funds, purchase 94 Itronix hardened laptops	6/30/2007	6/30/2007
2	Secured a federal grant for \$338,000 that will pay for a significant portion of the computer program side of the project.	9/30/2007	11/1/2007
3	Complete phase 1 of the program development and installation	5/1/2008	5/21/2008
4	Complete phase 2 of the program development and installation	6/1/2008	6/1/2008
5	From year end funds and carryforward, purchase remaining Itronix hardened laptops.	6/30/2008	6/30/2008

Agency Performance Report:**LFD Narrative:**

LFD Assessment: Progress report needed. Some milestones reported but no future milestones or current status of measures such as MHP availability or crash severity reported

Data Relevance: Some milestones reported

Appropriation Status: Provided

Comments/Issues: See milestones 4 and 5. The workgroup may wish to ask when data regarding the impact on MHP availability and crash severity will be available and/or reported.

Options:

--Change LFD Assessment



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